(b) if so, facts of the matter reported therein and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) The Government is aware of the news item captioned "Indonesia supports India's peace move in J-K" appeared in The Hindustan Times' dated 12th January, 2001.

(b) The Indonesian President addressed a Joint Press Conference with PM during PM's visit to Indonesia on 11th January, 2001. Answering a question, the President said that Indonesia support peaceful resolution of the problem through existing laws and treaties.

Anti-India Propaganda

4469. SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) Whether Government are aware of the anti-India propaganda being carried out by some foreign newspapers for the last four years; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government at the diplomatic level in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI KRISHNAM RAJU): (a) The Government has, from time to time, seen some ill-informed, misleading or factually incorrect articles about India in foreign newspapers.

(b) Indian diplomatic and consular missions abroad are in constant touch with important newspapers to correct any misperceptions about India and to prevent, as far as possible, the recurrence of such articles.